

Sports Car Club of New Hampshire

Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2007

- Start Time: SCCNH President Paul Giblin brought the SCCNH monthly meeting to order at 8:06 PM.
- Members Present: Gary Brundrett, Dan Francis, Paul Giblin, Bill Bennert, George Young, Drew Young, Perl Benner, and Butch Wait.
- Treasurer's Report: George Young, Treasurer, presented the report. Current balances, as of June 15, 2007 are: Money Market Account – \$4911.85; Checking Account is \$3,418.44. Details are available in the printed report in the club's files. Gary Brundrett moved to accept the report as read. Bill Bennert seconded. Motion passed.
- Secretary's Report: Paul Giblin distributed minutes of the May meeting. Gary Brundrett moved that the minutes be accepted as printed. Bill Bennert seconded. Motion passed.
- Membership: Drew Young reported for SCCNH Membership Director Jaime Sheppard that she has received 21 renewals bringing the total membership to 86 active members. All are reminded to renew their memberships if they have not done so already. Membership forms are available on the SCCNH web site.
- Business:
- Autocross: Bill Bennert noted that the second autocross was a success. Bill asked about FRS Radios. Perl Benner asked why. Bill noted that you could get a lot of 10 on E-Bay for \$80. There has been a problem with the radios holding a charge at the autocrosses. Bill will now take responsibility for the radios and chargers before the autocross events.
- For the next event, the SCCNH Auto-X trailer needs to be retrieved from the Pearl's. Does it need to be registered? George Young will be responsible for getting a plate for the trailer so it can be moved.
- Gary Brundrett discussed the future use of Concord Airport for an autocross site. He has contacted an alderman, but is waiting to hear back. Paul Giblin thought it was worth exploring this. Bill had some concerns about safety.
- Howard Roundy mentioned a possible autocross site off Pembroke Rd in Concord, (formerly Sprague building).
- Drew noted that if the trailer was going to be moved around it needs maintenance, (wheel bearings, etc.) Paul asked the group to continue exploring these topics and return to the club with details.
- Drew Young reported that Stevens Advanced Driving uses Concord Airport for a course. He suggested we use them to find out whom to contact.
- George Young thought the club should not dump NHIS completely. Paul Giblin thought the members were going in the right direction on this topic.
- There was discussion of autocross demographics. It was noted that many drivers were just getting started in motorsports and this would help grow the Club over time.
- Third Annual North Country Rumble: Paul Giblin reported that The Hobo Railroad was eager for the event. Our Turkey Train will be the third of the day and exclusively for SCCNH. Cost will be \$30 per person. The event will consist of the Autocross and Truly Train on November 10, and The Rumble on November 11.
- There will also be discounted lodging at the Comfort Inn & Suites which is located right next door to the Hobo Railroad. The cost will be \$79. per room. Those with self-contained RV's (Campers, tent-trailers and motor homes) will be able to stay on-site at the Hobo Railroad – due to safety reasons, sleeping in tents will not be permitted on-site. But, there's a National Forest campground located about 4 miles away on the Kancamagus Highway for those interested in tent-camping.
- Mt. Ascutney Spring Hill Climb: There were a low number of entries, (19?). George Young thought this was because it was the first event of the year. George wondered this was a fluke or would it be the norm. Drew Young mentioned that there were actually 24 entries, but four cars were not ready.
- There was a car off the road in the fam run.
- There was a problem with the Limo that competed - it had a flat tire and couldn't be moved with the wrecker, bringing the event to a standstill. This caused discussion around the idea that if a vehicle could not be moved with the wrecker, it should not be allowed to run. The group thought

it should be a rule, but that the Chief tech inspector (Don Taylor) should have final say at the event. The group decided to think about it and take a vote at the June 2007 meeting.

There was also a discussion of hill climb fees. Should the entry fee be increased, or should there be a bigger discount for pre-entries? Gary Brundrett suggested a vote, but the group decided to wait until the June 2007 Club meeting. In further discussion the group talked about a cancellation fee. Would that scare people away?

In the event that a registered car has a breakdown prior to the event, the driver may cancel up to midnight the Monday before the scheduled hill climb without penalty. After midnight Monday, there will be a \$25 dollar penalty assessed.

Okemo has added Rally car class with the same rules as SCCNH.

Mt Ascutney Fall Hillclimb: Drew Young questioned having a single chair for the Fall Hillclimb, particularly one who has never chaired before. Paul Giblin will contact Dave Burden to discuss the matter.

Road Rally: There was no report from Don Taylor.

It was reported that SCCNH Life member Jerry Venne had a mild stroke recently, but was recovering well. Paul Giblin reported that Jerry is working on a trophy using an older SCCNH metal logo.

Closing Time:

Drew Young moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:21PM. Gary Brundrett seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Secretary Corinne Wait would like to thank Butch Wait for taking the minutes of this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Corinne Wait,
Executive Secretary

The next Club Meeting will be held Friday, July 20, 2007 @ 7:30PM at the Windmill Restaurant, Loudon Rd. Concord, NH.